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## WATSON AGAIN HEADS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

### Charleroi Man Remains President of Board With A.P.Barnum Secretary

### SALARIES ARE INCREASED

The county commissioners have reorganized for the coming year. No change is made in the organization of the board from that effected a year ago. John O. Watson remains president and A. P. Barnum secretary. Only one change is made in the personnel of the clerks. Earl Vankirk, of Vankirk station was chosen stenographer for the downstairs office of the commissioners. Walter Smith of Washington, has held this position.

A number of increases in salaries were granted. H. R. Campbell, chief clerk, is given $100 more a year, his salary hereafter to be $2,100. Miss Irene Zane, warrant clerk, is given an increase of $60 a year, or $5 on the month. She will now receive $840 a year. The new clerk Earl Vankirk, will receive $720 a year. Chaney & Armstrong, county engineers, are given an increase of $400 on the year, making their salary $3,400 a year. Louis G. Mosebay, assistant superintendent of the county buildings is gicen $60 more on the year, making his salary $960 a year. J.H. McCormick, building engineer, is given an increase of $5 a month, or $60 on the year, making his salary $1,260 a year. J. Add Hall, clerk in the commissioners' office is given $120 a year additional, making his salary $1,020 a year.

Two new positions are created, James O. Watson of Charleroi, and George Lynch of Washington, are named overseers of roads, at salaries of $960 each a year.

H. R. Campbell, who is chief clerk, elected chief clerk last year, holds that position during the term of the commissioners. Others who make up the personnel of the commissioners' and controller's office are A. F. Montgomery, $1,200 a year; John Aiken, $1,200 a year; J. Add Hall, Irene Zane, Earl Vankirk, Chaney & Armstrong, James P. Eagleson (solicitor) $1,500; Ray B. Drum, $1,680; Mark M. Decker, $1,320; R. H. Meloy, legal clerk $600.

H. Ed. McCutcheon is re-elected superintendent of the county buildings at a salary of $1,200 a year and Louis G. Mosebay, assistant superintendent, with an increase in salary as above stated; J. H. McCormick building engineer; James H. McNary, assistant building engineer, $900 a year. Dr. D. H. Lewis is re-elected jail physician at a salary of $350 a year. Anna Wyland and Hope Whiting, cleaners, are given an increase in salary. They are given $34 a month. They received the past year $31.42 a month. Elizabeth Dye, Yetta Thompson, Jessie Fraikes and Eva Creigh each received $24 a month. They got the past year $21.66 a month.

### NO ISSUE OF THE MAIL TO BE PUBLISHED NEW YEAR'S DAY

Monday being New Year's day and a general holiday, following the usual custom, no issue of the Mail will be published.

## CHARLEROI CIRCLE WINS ONE OF THE P. H. C. FLAGS

**Victor in Membership Contest Claimed by Local Order—Flag Presentation on February 9.**

Members of the Charleroi Circle No. 303, Protected Home Circle were greeted with a pleasant surprise Friday evening at the regular meeting when the secretary, Miss Robina Gunderman read a letter from Charles W. Heffner of Pittsburg, chairman of the committee of prizes and awards, announcing that the local circle had won one of the handsome silk altar flags offered by the Supreme Circle of Sharon, Pa., for having secured the most members in the second division comprising the western district of Pennsylvania. The contest began September 1 and ended December 15. Charleroi Circle added 103 new members to the roll, placing it in the third division on the honor roll. The members feel proud of this fact as they had many strong circles to compete with.

The supreme and grand officers have chosen February 9 as a suitable date for the presentation of the flag to the local circle. The circle is planning for a special open meeting. A suitable hall will be secured and a splendid program of musical and literary selections will be featured. Supreme circle officers will be present. Among them will be Supreme President A. C. McClain, Supreme Orator Charles W. McCleary and Supreme Secretary Hon. W. S. Palmer of Sharon, State Secretary A. D. Gue and others of the Pittsburg district. Local Deputy M. M. Henline of Uniontown and visitors from local circles in the Monongahela valley will be present.

## LITTLE DISEASE DURING DECEMBER

### Health Board Hears Reports at Its Regular Monthly Meeting

### TWO DIPHTHERIA CASES NOW

December was a slow month for doctors, for little disease existed during that month, according to reports made at the Board of Health meeting held in the office of the secretary Dr. A. O. Davis Friday night. At the present time there are just two cases of diphtheria in the town.

All members of the board were present. The meeting was the final one of the present term of William L. Evans as a member of the board, and the recommendation was made through official action that he be reappointed by council for a five-year term.

The report of the health officer for themonth showed that there had been five cases of diptheria, four cases of chicken pox and one of measles. There were six general complaints, two bad sewers and one overcrowded rooming house.

### MRS JACOB HORMELL IS HOSTESS AT CLASS MEETING

The Dorcas class of the Methodist Episcopal church was entertained by Mrs. Jacob Hormell at her home on McKean avenue Thursday evening. A business meeting was held and this was followed by a social hour. Refreshments were served. There were 16 present.

## *A Worth-While Movie*

Father Time is about to put on a new reel in the world's motion picture machine and, willing or not, conscious of it or not, we will all be in the cast, along with Mary Pickford, Charlie Chaplin, Teddy, Woodrow and the rest, for, as our old friend, Bill Shakespeare said, "All the world's a stage and all men and women merely players." This movie is entitled The "Seventeenth Inning" of the Twentieth Century in twelve reels, January, February, March, etc.

Is seven your lucky number?—The "Seventh Inning" in Baseball, you know, is called the lucky seventh, where you stand up and stretch and sprout a hunch for the home team to win.

Well, this 1917 pictorial drama will make us all sit up—stand up—jump up and, with the present outlook for prices, to many of us it will be a "hold up." It will be full of thrills—thrills that will run the full catalogue of human emotion and experience and some new ones. Sit tight, look pleasant and applaud at the right time, and for goodness' sake, don't anybody holler "fire." This 1917 reel will be censored as it is shown, no rain checks will be issued, as the show will go along without intermission, rain and shine.

Here's hoping that that courteous, pleasant, optimistic usher, "Happy New Year," will place you at the very beginning of the show where you will be most comfortable, and that you in turn will generate good fellowship all about you. Don't remain in the same spot where you enter, but keep moving up towards the front row. If you ride up in an auto, use the right kind of oil—the oil of joy and gladness and you will increase your mileage (life) and decrease your repair costs (doctor's bills). Use the non-skid tires of temperance, and don't make it necessary for anyone to get your number.

Gee! what opportunities this 1917 movie will present, and do you get it—it will only be shown once. Are you ready for it? Show positively opens Monday, January 1st. Here's hoping it will bring a smile of joy to your face, the warmth of friendship to your heart, prosperity in your business, happiness to your home, poise not poison in your life.

If you can't stay to act your part the whole show through, here's hoping you have been wise that you have your life well insured and that you were prudent enough to have a will made, disposing justly of a tidy competence to your heirs and that the summary of life's adding machine may show that you have—added "to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, charity."—The Alcor.

## A. D. SPENCER GIVEN CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING COUNTY TRUCK

A. D. Spencer of Charleroi, was awarded the contract Friday for the furnishing of a G. M. C. truck for use of the highway department of the county. The contract price is $3,716. The machine is to be delivered by April 1. Mr. Spencer furnished the truck which is now used by the highway department. It is a five-ton truck and the new one is to be three and one-half. The first truck cost about $4,100.

### JURY WHEEL FILLED WITH NAMES FOR COMING YEAR

The court and jury commissioners yesterday completed the work of filling the jury wheel for 1917. Put into the wheel were 1,057 names. Each borough and township is entitled to a certain number of names. The number put in is about 200 more than are actually needed for the several juries to be drawn during the year. Before the wheel was refilled about 200 names remaining from the 1916 list were destroyed. The wheel was sealed upon the completion of the work, as is done after each jury is drawn. This morning the grand and petit jurors for the February term of criminal court will be drawn.

### FRANCES WILLARDS ELECT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

The regular meeting of the Frances Willard class of the Methodist Episcopal church was held at the home of Miss Elizabeth Frew on Crest avenue Friday evening. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Miss Price Frye; vice president, Mrs. S. R. Grimm; treasurer, Mrs. B. D. Hetrick; secretary, Mrs. Bruce Barnett. A quartet composed of Mrs. Perce Pollock, Miss Alice Mallabone, Miss Elizabeth Frew and Miss Mary Glunt rendered a selection and Miss Elizabeth Frew sang a solo.

## BOY LOSES ARM WHEN CRUSHED BY THE WHEELS OF COAL TRAIN

Joe Matcho, aged nine of Houston Run, had his right arm amputated near the shoulder at the Memorial hospital Friday, it having been crushed by the wheels of a coal train under w hich he fell. They boy was riding on the train and when hit by a lump of coal which dropped from the car, he said, lost his hold and was thrown across the rails.

### BUSINESS TO BE SUSPENDED ON MONDAY, NEW YEAR'S DAY

**Watch Meetings to be Held at Some Of Churches to See New Year in Sunday Night.**

New Year's Day Monday will be observed here very generally as a holiday following the usual custom. Business will be suspended. Aside from what the theatres have to offer there will be no unusual attractions.

Several watch night meetings have been arranged, some of them at the different churches, where religious services will be held incidental to ushering in the New Year. Inasmuch as New Year's Eve comes on Sunday night greater solemnity will attend the meetings.

## THEDA BARA IN "THE VIXEN"

**MONDAY, COYLE THEATRE**

## YOUNG MEN'S CLASS HOLDS SECOND ANNUAL BANQUET

**College Men Home From Various Institutions Give Talks—Teacher Presented With Lounging Jacket by Class.**

Featured by talks by members of the class and officers of the Sunday school the second annual banquet of the Young Men's Bible class of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Sunday school was held in the basement of the church Friday evening. About 30 were present and an evening of enjoyment spent. The Ladies' Aid Society of the church served the meal.

Frank H Delvaux, president of the class, served as toastmaster and a good program of talks was followed out after roll call. Those who spoke were Rev. John R. Burson, pastor of the church; O. M. Wise, teacher of the class; Dr. F. C. Stahlman, superintendent of the school and the following who are home from college for the holiday vacation: John Gaut, Williams' college; Curtis Collins, W. & J.; James Wagner and Ray Speers, State; Austin Stahlman, Paul Trnavsky and Donald Kellog, Universitf of Pittsburg.

Among the features of the evening was that of the election of officers, the following being selected for the ensuing year: President, Paul Manon; vice president, Harold Metz; secretary, Myron Jobes; assistant secretary, Ewing Trnavsky; treasurer, Parmlee Hill; teacher, O. M. Wise.

During the course of the evening on behalf of the class Frank Delvaux presented to the teacher, O. M. Wise, a lounging jacket.

## LICENSES ARE APPLIED FOR

### Fourteen Applications Filed Friday for Right to Sell Liquor

### R. A. JOHNSTON WOULD SELL

Fourteen liquor license applications were filed Saturday. Five were filed earlier in the week, making 19 that are already on file. Monday is the last day on which these applications may be put in.

Robert A. Johnston is a new applicant for the right to sell liquor, and he asks for that privilege at Bentleyville. He owns a three-story hotel building.

John G. Noble, refused last year, again applies for a license at the Noble hotel at New Eagle, the borough adjoining Monongahela. James E. Hayden, owner of the Hayden hotel, Finleyville, which several years ago had a license, again applies this year. John J. Zwick now has the only licensed place at Finleyville.

Other applications filed all of which are for renewal of licenses were: William H. Zellars, Hotel Charleroi, Charleroi; Charles G. Simon, Hotel Diamond, First ward, Monongahela; George M. Fellows, Hotel Myford, Charleroi; Arthur W. Day, Hotel Arthur, Charleroi; William R. Gaut, Hotel Walfred, Charleroi; Albert H. Furlong, Hotel Roscoe, Roscoe; George L. West, Hotel Monier, Charleroi; Louis Voye, Voye Hotel McDonald.

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## BREITINGER LOSES PLACE WITH STATE

### Chairman of State Censorship Board Requested to Hand in Resignation

### ANOTHER HEAD LOPPED OFF

Governor Brumbaugh Friday lopped off the heads of two state employes, J. Louis Breitinger, chairman of the board of censors and Samuel E. Rambo, superintendent of public grounds and buildings at Harrisburg. Both men were asked to resign to date from January 1.

It is intimated at the capitol that there have been many complaints about Breitinger's conduct of his office, according to news dispatches, and that there have been disagreements in the board while the payroll of the Philadelphia office has been filled with men without consultation with the governor.

Mrs. E. C. Niver of Charleroi is assistant censor of the state board. R. P. Oberholtzer of Philadelphia is another member of the board. It is supposed that Dr. Oberholtzer will get the chairmanship of the board, which carries with it a salary of $3,000 a year.

Mr. Rambo was asked to resign it is understood because of his lack of sympathy with the administration's policy.

Mrs. Niver, assistant censor, has been here nearly two weeks visiting with friends. She will return in a day or so to Philadelphia and then come back to western Pennsylvania upon the return of the Sixteenth regiment, N. G. P. from the Mexican border, her son, George being in the command.

## WINTER TERM OPENS JAN. 2

The demand for the graduates of this school is greater than ever before. We assisted more than 200 young people to find good positions during the past year, and had more than 50 calls that we could not fill.

We now have several high class places open and no one to send. Start with the New Year if you are willing to work a few months will prepare you and you can have your choice of a number of places when you are ready. Call, Phone or write for information.

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## ANTICIPATING A NEW YEAR

Before another issue of the Mail is published the new year will be ushered in. Just what is ahead no one knows, but there is a lot for us all to hope for and anticipate.

Progress cannot stand still. This means there will be developments the coming twelve months The nature of them depends upon the people themselves. It may be that the war which has kept the eastern hemisphere at arms for two long years may be ended, and the period of reconstruction started. America will play the biggest role of all in this event, for upon this nation will fall the biggest burden in helping the run-down nations toward an adjustment of their national affairs and toward catching up their industrial operations.

At home domesticity must be maintained. Conservatism will be needed. At the very beginning the nation faces a railroad crisis that may not be easily settled. It demands wise attention. It is important that the industrial horizon be kept bright, as it has been in the past year, though it is to be devoutly hoped the silver lining is not a reflection from a suffering nation's cloud. Prosperity with peace is what we all want and with wise and conservative conduct it will be ours to enjoy.

## DEMANDS INVESTIGATION

Rigid investigation and then decisive action is demanded at Monessen in the charges of double dealing of officers with ignorant foreigners. There must be no hesitation in rooting out this reprehensible and intolerable sort of grafting. The crime is in line with that of looting a child's bank.

The plan is simple and as old as mining mankind. When a foreigner is arrested for a crime he is watched by the eagle eyed, waiting sleuths, as he goes through his first hearing before the burgess. Proven guilty here is misconduct. he is nabbed again and taken before some distant justice or alderman or magistrate on charge fixed up to suit the occasion. Again he is fined and there is profit all around for those on the inside. The first treatment is just, but the latter is a dishonest practice into which the ignorant alien is snared. The foreigner, with a better respect for the law than his tormenters could have outside of prison. pays what they ask and considers himself lucky to win his freedom. There will come a time, however, when this sort of thing will be stopped, for a fair-minded people will not tolerate it. It is to be hoped the facts are found out soon and the perpetrators dealt with accordingly.

## WHAT OTHERS THINK

### HOW OLD ARE THE BONES?

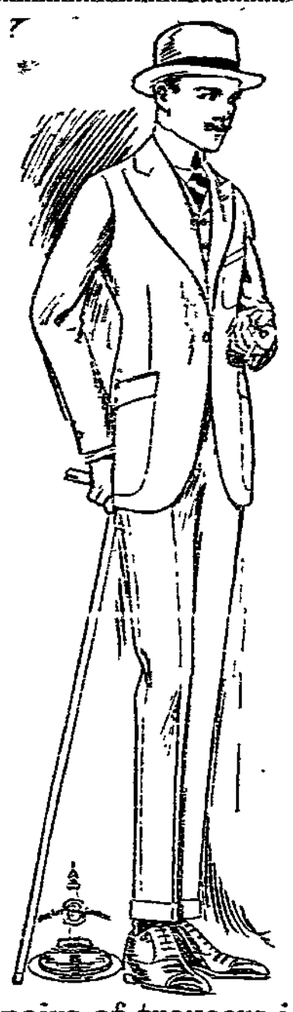
Persons who may be trying diplomatically to shave off a year or so from their birthday anniversary talk probably will be wildly excited over the controversy raging in the ranks of scientists about the age of some bones found along the east coast of Florida last July by Dr. E. H. Sellards of the Geologist. People who think so seriously of a year or two ought to be fairly consumed in enthusiasm when it becomes a matter of thousands of years. The differences between 5,000 years and 125,000 is the line that divides the scientists on these bones. A consequential point, artificially, is whether these bones which may be only 5,000 years old are new or old. especially when in opposition to the claim that they are 25,000 years of age. Among scientists who make a specialty of old bones the man who mistakes bones of 5,000 years old for osseous material 125.000 years old is not entitled to a prize for discovery.

Dr. Sellards claims these bones take us back to the glacial period or before, while others insist that what Dr. Sellards dug up are only the bones of North American Indians. Dr. Sellards invited all the old-bone-ists in the United States to come down and look over his collection and then make up their minds. They did not. the fight is no nearer settlement than before they went. Whether human life existed in North America during the glacial period or before makes little difference now to the gentlemen whose bones Dr. Sellards says are 125.000 years old instead of being new ones not more than 5,000 years young. The minds of most people today are concerned more with the present and the future than 125,000 years ago.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

## GINGLES' JINGLES

### BE LENIENT.

We should use lots of care in the judgments we pass, in [illegible] careful expressing the thoughts we [illegible] and before we [illegible] like a busybody of [illegible] we are sick. We [illegible] at [illegible] we [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]



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### NORTH CHARLEROI

Mrs. F. Trover and daughter Emma and Frank Crothers of Beaver Falls, Mrs. Lyde Louis, Mrs. Mary Gaskill, Miss Lara Owens, Mrs. Margaret Gilmore of Belle Vernon, Mrs. Elizabeth Myers of Monessen were recent guests of Mrs. William McCreary and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gaskill

C. A Fortney was called to Scottdale on account of the death of his grandmother.

Mrs. Elmore Houston spent Wednesday in Pittsburg.

Mrs. W. F. Hagerty and daughter Miss Celina have returned from a visit among relatives at Waltersburg.

Mrs. Charles Sauerwein and daughter, Edna have returned to their home at South West after visiting the former's daughter, Mrs C A. Fortney.

Miss Mary Peigh of Fayette City visited her aunt, Mrs. Everett Harris.

Miss Helen Phillips has returned from visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Phillips at New Salem.

Mrs. Frank Duffield returned to her home at McDonald after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Metz.

Mrs. Emma Vaughn of Monongahela and Mrs. Susan Whetsel of Smock were recent guests of the latter's brother George Dennis, Sr.

Mrs. Clyde Bradley and children have returned home after spending a week with relatives in McKeesport.

### SUNDAY SERVICES

**Free Methodist.**

Preaching at 10:30 o'clock by Mr. Tates. Evening worship at 7 led by I. N. Wakefield of Belle Vernon. Union watch meeting will follow at Belle Vernon. Rev. C. Lloyd Page, pastor.

**French Presbyterian.**

Sunday school at 9:30. Morning worship at 10:30. Subject, "End of Year." Evening worship at 7 o'clock. Subject, "The Wise Behavior of the Christian." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A welcome to all. Rev. J. E Charles Ph. D., pastor.

**First Christian.**

Fallowfield avenue near Sixth street. New Year services. Bible school at 9:45. Lord's supper and preaching at 10:50. Subject, "Testing and Tasting." Y. P. S C. E. at 6:30. Subject, "Lessons to Learn From the Past." Leader Wm. R. Pierce. Evening worship at 7:30. Special New Year service Subject, "A New Year Outlook." Special music. The Junior choir will sing. Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30. The first prayer meeting of the New Year All strangers to our city and those without a church home are cordially invited to the services of our downtown church This is the Peoples' church. You are welcome. Rev. E. N Duty, pastor

**Washington Avenue Presbyterian**

Sabbath school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Sermon, "Some Reflections for New Year Pilgrims" Jr. C. E at 2:30. Topic, "Heaven's New Song." Sr. C. E. at 6:30. Topic, "Lessons to Learn From the Past." Preaching at 7:30. Sermon, "Knowing the God of Our Fathers." Strangers and those without a church home are cordially invited to worship with us. Rev. John R Burson, pastor.

**First Presbyterian.**

Sunday school at 9:45. Morning worship at 11. Subject, "Andrew, the Evangelist." Senior C. E. at 6:45. Subject, "Lessons to learn from the past." Leader, Mrs. Whipkey. C. E. social. January 26. Evening worship at 7:30. Subject, "On the Threshold of the New Year." Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30. Subject, "The Week of Prayer." A cordial invitation is extended to all these meetings. A. J. Whipkey. pastor.

**Baptist.**

Bible school at 9:45. Worship at 11. Topic, "How to Measure Life." Young people at 6:45. "Lessons to Learn From the Past." Leader. Prof. C. P. McCormick. Evening worship at 7:30. Topic, "A Wise Resolution." Every member of the congregation is requested to meet at the close of the evening service. A cordial invitation to the services. W. G. Carl. minister.

**Episcopal.**

St. Mary's church, Lookout avenue and Sixth street. Services for Sunday after Christmas as follows: School at 9:45, Holy communion with sermon at 11. Evening prayer at 7:30. The Girls' Friendly society will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Andrew S. Murray Tuesday evening. The Ladies Auxiliary will meet Thursday at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Arthur Day. Altar Guild Thursday at 7:45. Girl's Friendly Society Saturday at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. John Lyons, rector.

**Methodist Episcopal.**

Sunday school at 9:30. Morning service at 10:45. Subject, "Does Charleroi Methodism Need a Revival?" The Epworth league will have charge of the evening service at 8 o'clock instead of the regular hour of 6:30 and the regular evening service will begin at 9 o'clock. This will be a watch night service, to continue until 12 o'clock. Evangelistic meetings will be held every night next week, with the exception of Monday. Rev. C. A. Hartung, pastor.

**Lutheran.**

Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching services at 11 Subject of sermon, "Our Sonship." Junior league at 2 Senior league at 6:45. Vesper services with sermon at 7:30 Subject, "David's Resolutions of Party." The public is cordially invited to all services. C P. Bastian, pastor.

### PERSONALS

W. A. Miksch has gone to Monaca to visit with relatives over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoagland were in Pittsburg Friday evening to witness the production of "Pom-Pom" at the Nixon theatre.

Miss Ruth Majors of Donora visited with Charleroi friends Friday evening.

D. A. Dixon has gone to Pittsburg to spend the week-end.

At Washington Friday a marriage license was granted to Miss Mabel A. Wernke of North Charleroi and George W. Clark of Charleroi.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wareham and daughter Eleanor returned to their home in Oil City after spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gass.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Gass of Donora. Bohn Burnett of Monessen and Miss Mary Gass of Charleroi motored to Pittsburg Thursday evening to witness the production of "Pom-Pom" at the Nixon theatre.

Mrs. John Sheets, Mrs. Harry Livingston and Mrs. N. Fram have gone to the Braddock hospital being called there by the serious illness of their sister Mrs Lizzie Johnson.

Westley Corey of Meadow avenue is suffering from a severe attack of tonsilitis.

Mrs. Felicie Bosson will go to Coraopolis to spend New Year's day.

C. W. Weimer and family have moved from Monongahela to the Monier building on Fallowfield avenue.


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### ALLENPORT TEAM WINS GAME FROM UNIONTOWN

The Allenport team defeated the fast Uniontown Independents on the Allenport floor. Score:

| Allenport—33 | | Uniontown—8 |
|---|---|---|
| Wolfe | F | Merries |
| L. Phillips | F | Bail |
| W. Phillips | C | Kerfoot |
| Balmer | G | J. Kerfoot |
| Tippis | G | Manus |

Substitutions—Crawford for Balmer, T. Phillips for Wolfe. Field goals—Wolfe 3, L. Phillips 3, W. Phillips 4, Balmer, Tippins, Bail, M. Kerfoot 2. Fouls—L. Phillips 9 of 11, M. Kerfoot 2 of 5. Referee—Yaros.

**John Gadosy Dies.**

John Gadosy, aged 2 years, seven months died Friday at noon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gadosy. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon with services at St. Cyril and Methodist church at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Calvary cemetery.

## USE OF THE PILLORY

**CONTINUED AS A PUNISHMENT IN THIS COUNTRY UNTIL 1837.**

**Delaware Was the Last State to Abolish It—Barbarous Devices Used Generally for Cheats, Forgers and Perjurers.**

It was only 115 years ago that the pillory was used in Boston. The last American victim of this medieval mode of punishment did not suffer in vain, for by his martyrdom he aroused so strong a sentiment against the pillory in Boston that it was abolished. This barbarous device, which had been common in Europe and America for a long period, was not finally abolished in the United States until 1839, and even after that Delaware continued to give legal sanction to its use. The pillory was abolished in 1837.

An instrument similar to the pillory was in use in England in the earliest times, and in numerous instances the victims were killed by being struck with stones.

In England and also in colonial New England the punishment of the pillory was most often inflicted on cheats, forgers and perjurers. It is recorded that the mayor of London, in 1297, "did sharpe correction upon bakers for making bread of light weight; he caused divers of them to be put in the pillory, as also one Agnes Dauntie, for selling mingled butter." Quacks and mountebanks, fraudulent coal, corn and cattle dealers, sellers of sham gold rings, users of false measures, soothsayers and fortune tellers, and beggars who made false pretenses were also frequently subjected to punishment by the pillory. At a later period the pillory was used for the punishment of heretics and advanced thinkers, and many men and women of noble lives and high aspirations were subjected to this ignominy.

## NEW IDEAS FOUND IN INDIA

**Marriage and Family Customs of Ages Are Now Changing Rapidly Because of Education.**

I realized that there was a new ideal of wifehood and motherhood in India when I visited Miss Robinson, principal of the Isabella Thoburn college, and she showed me a big packet of letters, says a writer in the World Outlook.

"There is a new world in India," she said. "Eight thousand young men are graduating from college every year. These men don't want a mere child, a toy, for a wife; they wish companionship. All these, holding out the package, "are letters of inquiry of a matrimonial nature. We could arrange for more marriages than we have graduates and those marriages into the most desirable families. Sometimes it seems as if I were conducting a matrimonial bureau to supply wives for future college professors, judges, deputy collectors and all sorts of influential men."

That is it! There is a new man as well as a new woman in the Orient and this man has a new ideal of womanhood and family life. In Bombay I was shown, slightly out from the city, new separate houses building for Indian young married people who desired to break away from the patriarchal or group family, where the young wife is under the absolute sway of the mother in-law.

In some cases families not Christian are setting up that characteristic Christian institution, the family meal This alone means a revolution in the position of woman; for by Indian custom the wife, whether of high or low degree, has waited upon her husband standing while he ate, and later has partaken alone, or with the children of the portion of food he set aside for her.

**French Artists Suffer.**

It is said that art and artists have been nearly extinguished in France by the war. Without work, without any demand for their paintings, without resources, many artists, it is said, are really suffering extreme indigence. Le Cri de Paris says that the committee of the Brotherhood of Artists is now distributing 1,800 francs a day in bread to needy artists. The president of the society is M. Bonnat, eighty-two years old, who organized and superintends everything. As the receipts of the committee are insufficient for the demands that are made, M. Bonnat, who sold a portrait some time ago for 10,000 francs, turned the entire amount into the fund and this he declared was the first money he had touched since the declaration of war. William A. Coffin president of the American artists committee of 100. New York city, has made a pressing appeal to artists in America for money to relieve the families of French artists, many of whom are fighting at the front.

**His Occupation Gone.**

Beggar—I 'ate to ask yer for charity, sir, but it's them motors wot 'ave ruined my perfeshun.

Old Gentleman (who hates motors)—Oh, indeed, and how have the motors affected you, my man?

Beggar—Well, yer see, sir I used to 'old the 'osses 'eads outside the Spotted Dragon afore them motor buses was started.—London Punch.

**Precaution.**

"Is Bliggins a man of broad reading?"

"I don't know. He always reads out what you haven't read and then makes you feel ignorant by discussing it."

## HUSBAND WILL PRESENT SENSATIONAL CHARGES

**Divorce Proceedings Already Started By Former Monessen Woman—Husband Will Seek to Get Control of Child**

Mrs. James E. Neill, formerly of First street and McKee avenue, Monessen, but now of Charleroi, has brought suit against her husband, James E. Neill, who is employed at the Tube Mill and who now lives at 472 Donner avenue, Monessen, for divorce on a charge of cruel and barbarous treatment, but the divorce is not being contested by Mr. Neill.

The husband will produce a long chain of evidence when he files suit for the possession of their only child a boy of six years, James Neill, Jr. The suit promises to become very sensational as there are several prominent men of Charleroi and Monessen said to be connected with the case, as well as a young married woman of Monessen who was reported trapped in the house with Mrs. Neill and a prominent grocery clerk one night last January.

Alleged trips to the Gaiety theatre at Pittsburg, dances, card and beer parties, appearing on the streets at a late hour at night and various other diversions will figure in the proceedings according to the husband's charges.

August 28 of this year Mrs. Neill left their home in Monessen declaring by letter she had gone forever. She removed to Lincoln avenue, Charleroi, and applied for divorce September 14. At the hearing November 25 Mr. Neill did not appear A decision on the divorce is expected January 2.

## HIGH SCHOOL AND ALUMNI WILL PLAY

**Former Basketball Stars to Compose Team That Will Play Opener With Regulars at High School Gymnasium Monday**

The first basketball game of the high school season, an annual game by the way, will be played at the high school gymnasium next Monday night when the Alumni team and the regular five will meet. This is a sense will determine the makeup of the high school team in future games.

The Alumni team will be selected from among the following stars: John Lutes, John Gaut. C Lowstuter, Duncan Berryman, Ray Speers, Mac Jimeson, Jimmy Wagner and Austin Stahlman.

The high school lineup has not been definitely decided, but it will be picked from the following: Fiedler, Riva and Frank Wagner, forwards; Hill, Manon or Pollock center; Stahlman, Eagye, Lowstuter or Ritchey, guards. Only two of last year's stars remain, Stahlman and Fiedler. The opening games of the league will be with Canonsburg at Canonsburg January 5.

## STATE-PITT DANCE HERE AN ENJOYABLE FUNCTION

The blue and white and blue and gold reigned supreme in the annual holiday dance given Friday night in Might's auditorium by the State-Pitt club of the upper valley. The auditorium was nicely decorated with garlands of the school colors, and with ferns.

There were 126 couple present, including a number from numerous other communities including Monongahela, Donora, Monessen, California, Brownsville, Uniontown and Indiana. Dancing was from 8:30 until 2 o'clock.

Among the features was music by Jenkins' orchestra of seven pieces. State and Pitt songs were played. The dance assumed rank as one of the season's most enjoyable events and its success was a tribute to the committee, which was composed of the following:

Mac Jimeson, James Wagner, Ray Shaner Blythe and Carl Miksch, University of Pittsburg, all from Charleroi, and C. M. Todd, State and Arthur Madison, Pitt, from Monessen.

**Judgment Day.**

De day er jedgment looks so fur off dat some folks thinks dey kin cut up whilst it's comin' an' den flop down an' pray off de high jinks long 'fo' de trumpet blows But when dey makes inquirement of conscience dey finds dat de day er jedgment's been here all de time!—Atlanta Constitution.

### DUNLEVY

Wednesday morning at 9 a. m. at the Italian Catholic church the wedding of Miss Julia Dosini and John Mazzi of Dunlevy was solemnized. A number of friends of the couple were present to attend the affair. After a honeymoon trip to Pittsburg and other points the couple will take up housekeeping in Dunlevy.

Miss Agnes Stockdale of Stockdale spent Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Florence Haywood.

Misses Mary and Bridget Hines of Gillespie spent Wednesday with their sister Mrs. John Barrass.

Wednesday evening was very pleasantly spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith when they gave a surprise party in honor of their niece Miss Irene Smith of Bridgeport, Ohio, who was visiting there. The evening was spent in playing games An elegant lunch was served. Out-of-town guests were present from Donora and Belle Vernon.

Misses Ethel and Gladys Abbot are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Edwards of California.

Misses Elizabeth and Christine Cowell of Speers spent Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cowell.

Mrs. Frank Haywood visited at the home of her sister Mrs. John Allen of Donora Thursday.

Miss Susan Colvin visited at the home of her brother Walter Colvin of Belle Vernon.

Mrs. Robert Black and baby of McKees Rocks are visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Mahan, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Williams and baby of Beaver Falls are visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Hall.

Miss Sadie Jack of Roscoe was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Peach.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barr and children of Coal Center spent Wednesday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crowl, Sr.

Mrs. William Courtley and Miss Anna Dunseath visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Haywood of California.

## LICENSES

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The Independent Brewing Co. applies for licenses again for the Glo plant at Monongahela and the Charleroi plant at Charleroi. The former plant manufactured 13,460 barrels beer the past year and the latter 2 120 barrels. The Acme Brewing Co of Bentleyville, recently in the limelight, seeks a renewal of its licens It manufactured 17,955 barrels beer during the past year.

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## THE LADY AND THE DISHRAG

**Woman Does Not Realize to What Depths She Sinks Herself by Using Popular Expression.**

When a woman declares that she "feels like a dishrag" she is dragging herself down to the lowest level of still life. We doubt not from the personal appearance of that handy article of domestic utility that if any life existed at all in said rag it could not possibly fall lower or feel meaner. However, woman should never offer herself in comparison with so degraded an object for the simple reason that mankind spurns the dishrag most vehemently, and as woman exists solely for man she should not seek to lower herself in his esteem. When a rag takes up its duties in the dishpan it has reached the tag end of abandoned hope, the climax perhaps of a merry life. A dishrag might have been a lovely lady's hose in its palmy days, adorned by a silken garter and surrounded by costly lingerie. But it is not of its past that I speak. It is of its present social standing, its vulgar environment and its utter self-abandonment. 'Tis true that you may feel fatigued to a limp and loppy degree, but never can you feel so utterly wretched and beyond redemption as a dishrag.—Zim, in Cartoons Magazine.

## THESE SHOES WEAR 25 YEARS

**They Are Made of Grass and Are Still Worn by Natives in Parts of Portugal and Spain.**

Esparto shoes, or shoes made of the toughest and strongest of the coarse esparto fibers, are still worn in Iberia and parts of Portugal. There is no shoe made which will outlast them, not excepting leather shoes. Indeed, one pair of esparto shoes has been known to outwear a dozen tanned hide soles. This is due to their faculty of picking up and retaining in their interstices stony particles. As fast as the pebbles are worn out they are replaced automatically by others. Thus a self-soling process is constantly going on. It is not uncommon in some parts of Spain or Portugal to hear the natives boast of wearing a pair of esparto shoes for 25 years or more.

**The Versatile Manchurian Farmer.**

In the early fall in Manchuria, the natives undergo a sort of magic change from farmer to bandit. It seems something of a psychological somersault—one day a plodding farmer, the next a highwayman. After the tall kaobang, or giant millet, is cut, and escape is not so easy over the bare plains, another clap of the hands and lo, a peaceful farmer once more! It is not only the farmer who plays this exciting game; many another staid member of the community has his little fling. Some even combine their roles, differentiating according to the seasons. With the oriental's disregard for conditions, a man is often a bandit, merchant and magistrate all at once.—Alice Tisdale, in the Atlantic.

**Honey in Jewish History.**

The numerous references to honey in the Bible are due to its being the common sweetener of the people; and to this day the Jews, who are fine old crusty conservatives, use honey in cooking where other people use sugar. Still, it had a certain distinction, and was used as the symbol of fruitfulness and plenty. When Jeroboam's wife wished to propitiate the prophet she took him ten loaves, two cakes and a cruse of honey. When Jesus reappeared to his disciples they tested his reality by giving him a piece of broiled fish and some honeycomb to eat. As for John the Baptist, it is known to all that his common food consisted of locusts and wild honey.

**Didn't Get the Umbrella.**

One of Chauncey Mitchell Depew's best stories is the story of the spotted dog which, as a boy, he bought from a local dog dealer. "The next morning it was raining," he says, "and I took the dog out into the woods, but the rain was too much for him. It washed the spots off. I trotted the dog back to the dealer.

"'Look at this animal,' I said. 'The spots have all washed off.'

"'Great guns, boy!' he replied, 'there was an umbrella went with that dog. Didn't you get the umbrella?'"

**Sixty Millions for Furs.**

Milady is spending $60,000,000 a year to gratify her fancy for furs. Practically all furs sold to the women of this country are of American manufacture. Returns to the bureau of the census show that only $3,000,000 worth of furs were imported during the past year. The American fur industry is now represented by 1,241 establishments employing 11,927 wage earners with an annual production worth more than $50,000,000.

**On Parnassus.**

"What's the matter with Hercules?"

"Eh?"

"Why did he biff the little man?"

"He didn't like his line of talk. Seems the little man is an efficiency expert. He told Hercules he went through a lot of useless motions in performing those twelve labors."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**His Case.**

"Everything I have in this world I owe to my wife."

"I'm almost like you, too. Everything I owe in this world my wife bought."

## MEN ARE GROWING SHORTER

**French Savant Years Ago Gave Out Information That Adam Was 123 Feet 9 Inches Tall.**

In recent years anatomists have shown in a practical way that the height of a man or woman can be increased to a considerable extent by appliances for stretching. These extensions, however, have only been of inches or fractions of an inch, and giants have not been, nor are they likely to be developed by artificial means. It was a French savant, named Henrion, who, 200 years ago, gave to the world authoritative statements as to the height of Adam and Eve. He said that the father of the race was 123 feet 9 inches high and Eve 118 feet 9 inches. He noted that from the creation of these enlarged editions of humanity, degeneration had been rapid; that Noah was only 27, Abraham only 20 and Moses but 13 feet in height.

According to this French authority, if the Christian dispensation had not arrested this decrease, man by this time—200 years ago—would have been a mere microscopic object, and we may conclude that by our time he would not have been at all. M. Henrion did not give any explanation as to height of those ancients.

Perhaps the most gigantic story on record is that concerning an immense skeleton, said to have been in Sicily, which measured 300 feet in length. This story, however, carries its own refutation, as it is said that found beside this giant was his walking stick, which was 30 feet long and thick as a telegraph pole. A clever calculator made the estimate that a walking stick only 30 feet in length for a man who measured 300 feet would be as ridiculous as one of seven inches for a man of ordinary stature.—Kansas City Journal.

## THESE BOOKS WERE DIGESTED

**History Furnishes Instances of Authors Being Compelled Literally to Eat Their Words.**

To literally digest a book is an accomplishment which few can boast of having performed. Nevertheless, a good deal of literature has been destroyed in this way at one time or another.

Barnabo Visconti compelled two papal delegates to eat the bull of excommunication which they had brought him, together with its silken cords and leaden seal. As the bull was written on parchment, it was all the more difficult to digest. A similar anecdote is related of an Austrian general, who had signed a note for 2,000 florins, and, when it fell due, compelled his creditors to eat it.

A Scandinavian writer, the author of a political book, was compelled to choose between being beheaded or eating his manuscript boiled in broth. Isaac Volmar, who wrote some satires against Bernard, duke of Saxony, was not allowed the courtesy of the kitchen, but was forced to swallow them uncooked. Still worse was the fate of Philip Oldenburger, a jurist of great renown, who was condemned not only to eat a pamphlet of his writing, but also to be flogged during his repast.

**Japanese Pearl-Oyster Farm.**

Japan has a pearl-oyster farm. In the Bay of Ago there has been established a plantation from which a rich harvest is obtained.

In May or June stones weighing from six to eight pounds are sunk in shallow water, and in August the tiny shells begin to appear on them. The stones remain in for two months, but, since the young oysters cannot endure cold, in November all rocks in less than five feet of water are moved farther out, where the temperature is more even. At the end of three years, when the shells are about two inches across, they are taken from the water, nuclei for pearls inserted in them and replaced in the water, 30 of them to every six square feet of bottom.

There they are left for four years. Then, being seven and a half years old, they are removed and searched for pearls.

**Mushroom Quarries of Paris.**

To the south of Paris, the country is honeycombed with abandoned quarries some of which are of enormous extent resembling the shafts of great mines, being from 300 yards to half a mile in length and lying from 30 to 150 feet beneath the surface of the ground.

In these old quarries are grown nearly all the mushrooms consumed in the French capital. Mushrooms flourish in these caverns at all seasons, and they have, in Paris, the reputation of being superior in flavor to those grown elsewhere. The worst enemy of the mushroom growers is a species of fly that swarms through the dark passages in such numbers as sometimes to extinguish the candles of the workmen. The larvae of this fly destroy the beds before the shoots have emerged above the ground.

**Pocket Boots for Fishermen.**

A pair of rubber boots so light that they may be rolled up and carried in the pocket is principally designed for the use of amateur fishermen, says the Scientific American. For wading through streams they are worn over the leather shoes, affording all the protection of the heavy boots without the inconvenience of the latter when on the way to and from the fishing ground. The boots are made of pure gum, fashion lined and have an elastic top, thus fitting tightly around the leg.


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## RELIGIOUS WARS IN EUROPE.

**The Thirty Years' Conflict and the Peace of Westphalia.**

Osnabruck is one of the most venerable towns of Prussia. In the closing years of the eighth century Charlemagne designated it as the capital of a bishopric, a distinction which it enjoyed without interruption for more than a thousand years. In 1803 the see was suppressed, the last bishop being Frederick, duke of York, son of the English Hanoverian monarch, George III. In 1858 the city was restored to its religious eminence when it was again made the seat of a Roman Catholic bishop.

It is on account of her share in the preliminary negotiations which led to the epochal peace of Westphalia that Osnabruck is famous in history. In 1644, after all central Europe had been devastated by the great struggle which eventually became known as the Thirty Years' war, representatives of Sweden, the German empire and German Protestants met here, while in the neighboring city of Munster, thirty miles to the southwest, delegates from France, Spain, the German Catholics and the German empire gathered.

The negotiations extended over a period of four years. In October, 1648, both groups of conferees having arrived at a common basis of settlement, the Osnabruck diplomats repaired to Munster, where a few days later the peace was signed which guaranteed the sovereignty and independence of the several states of the empire and which forbade religious persecution throughout Germany. It was this peace, in which Osnabruck played such a vital part, that put an end to religious wars in Europe.

As early as 888 Osnabruck was granted the right to establish its own mint, but it was not until the fifteenth century that the city reached the crest of is mediaeval prosperity. Following the decline which was necessarily incidental to the ravages of the Thirty Years' war, it enjoyed a second era of growth.

The two most impressive architectural piles in Osnabruck are the spacious cathedral, dating back to the twelfth century and representing a combination of the Romanesque and Transitional styles, and the royal palace, built in 1662-75.—National Geographic Society Bulletin.

## MODERN RUSSIA IN WAR.

**Her First Great Military Victory Was at Poltava.**

The first great military victory of modern Russia was gained on the bloody field of Poltava, when the army of Charles XII. of Sweden was completely defeated by the forces led by Peter the Great.

The ambitious and powerful Swedish monarch began his Russian invasion of 1707 at the head of 43,000 well trained veterans, following almost the same route as was chosen by Napoleon more than a century later.

In the first clashes he was successful, but he pursued the Russians with such haste and recklessness that his army was soon hopelessly involved in swamps and marshes. Peter reorganized his forces and made his stand at Poltava, and the battle fought there on July 8, 1709, ranks among the greatest in history.

The Russian bear, often whipped, now fought ferociously. The Russians overpowered the army of Charles XII. by force of numbers. Charles XII. was wounded before the battle commenced and directed the movements of his ragged and half starved troops from a litter, in which he was carried about the field.

The Russian artillery worked havoc in the army of the Swedish king, but Charles, with a few men, managed to escape and made his way to Turkish soil, where he found refuge from the wrath of the czar.

**A Goal He Had Never Reached.**

"You are the greatest inventor in the world," said a newspaper man once to Alexander Graham Bell.

"Oh, no, my friend, I'm not," said Bell. "I've never been a reporter."

**Picture Frames.**

In the early parts of the fifteenth century carvers and gilders in Venice were permitted to attach their names to the frames of pictures by famous artists.

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